

NEWS RELEASE

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United States Attorney Deborah Gilg and the III Corps Task Force announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

David Cress was sentenced on January 3, 2011, by the Honorable Judge Laurie Smith Camp, United States District Judge in Omaha, Nebraska. Cress was sentenced to 145 months in prison to be followed by five years supervised release, and ordered to pay a \$100 special assessment for the crime of conspiracy to distribute and possession with intent to distribute at least 500 grams but less than 1.5 kilograms of methamphetamine.

This case involved confidential informant buys directly from Cress in quantities of 8 grams and 11 grams, respectively. In addition, other witnesses described other quantities of methamphetamine that Cress had dealt. The court found Cress responsible for the distribution of one kilogram of methamphetamine over an 18-month period.

Name of Defendant: David Cress

AKA:

Age: age 41

City of residence: Fremont, Nebraska

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty): Conspiracy to distribute 500 grams or more of methamphetamine and possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine, 10 years to life, \$4,000,000 fine, or both imprisonment and fine, 5 years of supervised release and a \$100 special assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Fremont, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: Omaha, Nebraska

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: Methamphetamine

Others Charged in Same Scheme:

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: April 1, 2008 through November, 2009

Federal Arrest Date: March 8, 2010

Date Complaint Issued:

Indictment Returned Date: November 17, 2009

Initial Appearance Date: March 8, 2010

Plea or Trial and Date(s): October 1, 2010

Sentencing Date: January 3, 2011

Next Court Hearing Type and Date:

Assigned Magistrate Judge: Thomas D. Thalken

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody:

In Continuous Custody Since: March 8, 2010

Assigned District Court Judge: Laurie Smith Camp

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